

practical anarchy

FREE CLYDESDALE ANARCHIST PAPER
APRIL 1982



PRINCE ANDREW seen here leading the great British Armada on its marathon nine month trek to the Falkland Islands.

A fine inspiration to British youth to 'paddle your own canoe'...

FUCK THE FALKLANDS!

BY FRAY BENTOS

FRENZIED WAR HYSTERIA is being whipped up in Britain. And Michael 'Inveterate Peacemonger' Foot is doing the mixing...

Fresh from the Hillhead Campaign cry of "Vote for Peace", the Labour Party has pissed on the pacifists.

Whether Trident is scrapped or not, the business of war will continue, replacing warheads by warships is no answer. State and militarism go hand in hand.

GET WISE, SUCKERS!

The 'safety valve' protests of C.N.D., like demos and yawno rallies are a dead loss. But *anti-militarist* action would strike at the heart of the state, with targets like armaments factories and recruiting drives. And don't forget the moves to increase police powers and militarise the unemployed.

Real anti militarism must give a body swerve to the Left with their tacit defence of the Soviet Union.

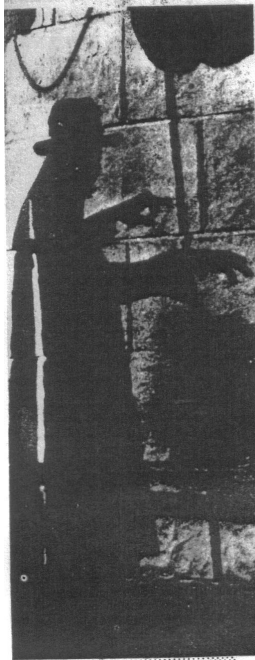
We call on all lovers of liberty to prepare a warm reception... for the tanks of General Haig, Commisar Kornikorv, and local boy Commander Kitson...

DESTROY THE STATE BEFORE IT DESTROYS YOU!



DOGMAS DISCARDED!

SCUNNERED with the dogmas, the taboos, the fetishes, the guilt complexes, the position seeking, the false alliances, the pomposity, the poses, the head wanking, and the utter boredom of the left? We're some renegades who've been through and escaped from the leftist circus. Anarchism is the *nearest* thing to us. Break out of that Ideological Rut! Write to: Box 3, 488 Great Western Road, Glasgow.



THE DAY THE DEAD WALK

THE RANKS of the Labour Movement and the left wing groups who coat-tail it show themselves in their true colours each May Day— DRAB!

Just like the kind of society they campaign for, these 'representatives' of the working class are grim and unexciting. No wonder the working/non-working class at the bottom of society has given them a wide berth.

The solution to the 'crisis' they campaign for, inside and outside of the belaboured Party, is for the State to take over all control of production and distribution. In this way, the State would become the One Big Capitalist and competition would be limited to that between Nation-States.

KIDODOLOGY

However as the example of Eastern Europe, Russia, China, Cuba, etc. shows, the 'Communist' world isn't communist (in the same way as the 'Free' World isn't free.) The disappearance of the private ownership of the means of production by wholesale Nationalisation does nothing to abolish capitalism. As long as there is a wage system, money, goods marketed as commodities, and a State machine designed to subjugate the 'masses' capitalism remains intact, albeit in a different disguise.

Neither 'State' nor 'Private' capitalism is good for peace either. The production of arms, the maintenance of standing armies and the permanent threat of war is

essential to this system. Although most armed conflict goes on in the 'Third World', these bloodbaths are all part of the power bloc rivalry, the division of the world into spheres of influence and their subversion from within by forces of 'national liberation'.

PHONEY 'FREEDOM'

It is not the 'duty' of revolutionaries to come out in support of one nationalist cause against another, no matter how horrific one regime may be. Experience throughout the world has shown that as far as nationalist socialism is concerned today's liberators are tomorrow's oppressors.

In the 'West', the left often raise the bogey of fascism and try and channel activity into anti-fascism. Again, however nasty the methods of fascist national socialists are, it is not a revolutionary attitude to fight fascism on behalf of another form of capitalism. Only anti-capitalist ideas and activity lead to social revolution. Indeed, as one revolutionary in the 1930s commented, 'The struggle against Fascism begins with the struggle against Bolshevism'.

DYNAMITAR

CHILD MOLESTERS

With all the uncertainty and acrimony surrounding Popeye's visitation, let's reflect calmly on one of the pronouncements of this warped old hypocrite.

Yes, he's forever talking about the right of nations to determine their own future, like Poland. But he denies—along with all the other religions and sects—the fundamental right of all children to grow free—in this case free from religious brain washing and interference (more aptly *mind fucking*). This is still practised in these so-called enlightened times on trusting innocent minds,

the majority of whom will have all natural instincts, desires, needs, and wants suppressed, polluted, or destroyed.

What chance do children have to say yes or no to these twisted views of life, perverse morality, and unnatural relationships like marriage. And don't forget obedience to all and any authority, with an acceptance of hierarchy, class division, wage slavery—our whole upside down society—as normal.

The one thing all these men and women of God (who are nothing more than state sanctioned child molesters) have in common is a total contempt for the rights of all children to form their own views and opinions as to what's what: like life, relationships,

the universe, why, why not, etc.

It's small wonder there are so many bugged up and bigoted people, especially in backward Scotland and Ireland, while this mental screwing of children is a daily, horrific, and obscene part of our 'civilised' society.

Sod the right of parents to indoctrinate and pollute their children's minds as they see fit. Let's drop all this taboo regarding attacking religion, which hand-in-hand with the State and capitalism suppresses all basic freedom, natural awareness, and criticism. Religion, the State, and capitalism need you. You don't need them.

SMASH CHRISTIANITY
DESTROY ALL RELIGIONS

FALKLANDS CRISIS: EIGHT CASUALTIES.

Eight people were arrested at the recent S.C.A.T. demonstration against Trident for distributing Practical Anarchy. Evidently the police were none too pleased with the headline 'Fuck the Falklands: Lord Beaverbrook never had problems like this, not even when the DAILY EXPRESS used the banner headline 'Murdering Bastards'.

This follows recent raids on anarchist printshops and bookshops in London, and is the beginning of a state clampdown (yawn)

Further information on this and our other dubious activities from Box 3, 488 Great Western Road, GLASGOW (Donations welcome!)



PERSONAL

Paisley Anarchist Public Meeting on 'The Great Ballot Box Swindle'. Brian Biggins tells it like it is...

Paisley Town Hall. Tuesday 4th May at 7.30 pm. (Leave your dogmas at the door)

'THE GREAT FALKLANDS ISLANDS QUIZ BOOK'... instant answers to media rubbish available now for the Glasgow Bookshop Collective, 488 Great Western Road Glasgow. Also lots of anarchist papers, books, and other stuff...

Coming soon! 'ART AND ANARCHISM' by Farquhar McLay, New Clydeside Anarchist pamphlet on how we all have been 'disinherited' from our birthright.

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STRATHCLYDE POLICE 'VIOLENT
AND OFFENSIVE' AWARD WINNER

MAY DAY
SPECIAL

FREE!



BACK TO ZERO

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL
CORRESPONDENT
NED LUDD

LABOUR MOVEMENT? WHAT LABOUR MOVEMENT? — A handful of pompous T.U.C. leaders, legions of committee-men, squads of young bureaucrats—in-waiting spouting 'revolutionary' rhetoric... and a minority of militants hopelessly trying to change things. That, and the majority of 'members' quite rightly pissed off with the whole proceedings...

Whenever any group of workers takes *independent* action, the Big Boys from the Unions are there to put a stop to it, like happened at Hoovers in Cambuslang this week.

When Dunlop's shut down their factory in Speke, the workers spontaneously took revenge by thrashing the place, destroying millions of pounds worth of tyres. But when the same Company were closing their plant at Inchinnan, the ever-helpful Union were there to guarantee a peaceful, profit-making closure. And for their reward, the union men were kept on for months after everyone else was sacked.

If the blacks of Brixton were organised by a T.U.C. approved union, they'd probably have been forced to accept a negotiated wage—cut last summer...

The big Unions are losing members fast. The Transport and General Workers lost 200,000 members in only eighteen months. To make up for this loss of revenue, they are swallowing up smaller unions and becoming more 'professional', more monolithic, more *compromising*...

STAY BACK!! OR I'LL
BE FORCED TO CALL
IN THE T.U.C.!!!



ESCAPE ROUTE

The nature of work is changing fast. Not only is there the permanently high unemployment figures, but with the growing automation those who are still working are much less interested in their work and their workplace than they would have been twenty or thirty years ago.

This is a fact that the Left find impossible to accept. Their nostalgia for storming Valhalla with V.I. Lenin circa 1917 is matched only with Hitting the Cobble, 1926 style. They refuse to believe that 'the workers' see their workplace as a prison to abscond from.

Nobody is interested in the Unions and their promise of a couple of extra quid a week (a promise they can't even deliver anymore...)

What everyone wants is an escape from the miserable existence of day to day life under capitalism. And neither the Union's nor the political parties can provide that...

SPRING SKIP CLEAN

**WHY NOT JOIN US THIS SPRING
IN A SKIP CLEAN IN YOUR AREA**

STRATHCLYDE REGION ELECTIONS MAY 6TH, 1982.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR CAMPAIGN, PLEASE MOBILISE THE PEOPLE TO PUT RUBBISH IN ITS PLACE AND BOYCOTT THE ELECTIONS OR DESTROY THE WHITE SLIPS WHICH DO NOT MERIT AN X AGAINST THE CANDIDATE OF ANY POLITICAL PARTY.

IF CONTAMINATED, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR NEAREST SEWERAGE PURIFICATION CENTRE, AS COUNCILLORS AND WOULD-BE COUNCILLORS ARE CONTAGIOUS ANIMALS, FACING FUTURE EXTINCTION.

City of Glasgow Department of Cleansing
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free

civil obedience?

DROP DEAD!

WE'VE HEARD A LOT OF TALK about Direct Action...and a £13,000 plus theatrical spectacle (money spent on crowd control— YOU control) doesn't sound very direct. It's Directed Action: Action directed by the police, starring as high priests SCND worthies, issuing death permits to the chosen few ... (spot the parallel: police issuing bullets to the disobedient prior to nuclear mega-death).

We're proposing Direct Action... Peace Campers throughout the country have shown its power... and propose a start *in the cities* now!

The movement for peace is the most exciting thing to have appeared in these dreary times.

★ It should be an effective anti militarist campaign.

★ It should expose and reject the links between the State and the dirty money from arms sales, plutonium 're-distribution' and our shepherds today, the police; our masters voice.

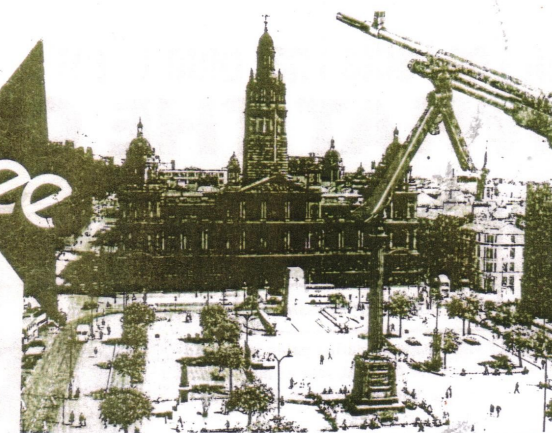
Rather than collaboration with the very people who's role it is to ensure a placid mass suicide *we suggest*:

- A telephone blockade from 2–5pm on Tuesday of the Faslane base (phone lots of times)
- Physical blockades of all the increasing manifestations of the Nuclear State that threaten our liberties.
- More useful informal linking of all the independent groups attempting action against the military state, the military equipment fairs, laboratories, plutonium manufacturing stations, and military recruiting offices!

The Glasgow Peace Camp at Barlinnie made direct contact with the local people and was welcomed: it didn't pass over responsibility to professional leaders who will sell out for short term gain just as they did 20 years ago.

But at the same time we're in the middle of a war, the Social War which puts us up against the wall as separate individuals helpless in the face of lost jobs, the propaganda to accept World War Three, to consider important the sham of the SDP, Labour Party, Conservative Party: video horrors one and all!

THIS IS AN IMPASSIONED PLEA FOR MORE EFFECTIVE ACTION, REJECTION OF BLIND ALLEYS AND GENUINE PEACE.

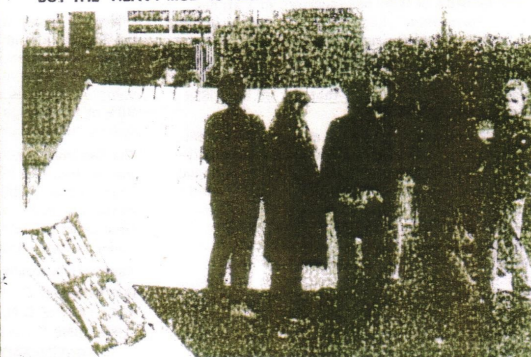


WHEN THERE ALMOST WAS A 'DIE-IN'...

● GEORGE SQUARE was almost the site of a REAL Die-In... It happened in 1919, following 'revolutionary agitation' and a riot in the Square. The City Fathers, as benign as ever, called in the troops, and had machine-gun posts placed on the GPO building.

These days, more subtle bureaucrats prefer to keep the social peace by means of an elaborate system of persuasion that includes Television social workers and 'community leaders'.

BUT THE 'HEAVY MOB' IS ALWAYS THERE, IF AND WHEN REQUIRED...



Sponsored Porridge! PHOTO: IAN B.

DIRECT ACTION took a step nearer the cities last week, with the setting up of 'Glasgow Peace Camp: outside Barlinnie Prison...

The camp, in protest against the jailing of Les Robertson following a blockade at Faslane, is just one tactic that the Peace Campers are using. Another is Sponsored Jail Sentences...

STOP PRESS

Jim Rae, Allison Neville and Louise Robertson jailed for refusing to pay fines. Messages of support through Faslane Peace Camp, below St. Andrew's School Shandon, Dunbartonshire.

POLICE SERGEANT 283
FASLANE 1983

An ugly evil polis brute
Whose total brains lie in his boot
Savaged the campers at Faslane
Who only sought world peace to gain:
Both on the road and in the cell
He did his low work very well
Anonymous, but named he'll be
The Nazi Bastard 283

Freddy Anderson

THE REAL SPY SCANDAL

THE 'SUPER SNOOPERS'— the Government Spies who prey on the unemployed and single mothers— are on the prowl in Clydeside.

They chalked up a significant victory over Christmas: by capturing an out-of-work man who was working casual in a Glasgow store— as Santa Claus...

But these down-market detectives don't have it all their own way. In Ferguslie Park recently the police were phoned about a dubious character lurking in the back-courts. It resulted in a Snooper being held for five hours on suspicion of child molesting.

The luckless lackey was transferred to another D.H.S.S. office.

FANTASY ISLAND
The Snoopers idea of themselves as the Social Security equivalent of Stargate and

Hutch has taken a tumble. They got their knuckles rapped for hiring a helicopter for a 'raid' on the Western Isles, and they have just been refused permission to use special radio cars.

Any Amateur Detective interested in investigating REAL fraud would find much of interest in the Snoopers' 'success' statistics...and in their Expense Accounts.

Don't be conned if any of these cowboys appear at your door. Don't let them into your house; don't go to an interview alone, and above all DON'T BE INTIMIDATED!

PHIL THE FIDDLER

WHO WILL PROTECT US FROM OUR PROTECTORS?

SIR KENNETH NEWMAN, the latest Godfather at Scotland Yard has introduced a new concept to policing philosophy and practice.

With the introduction into police and media "newspeak" of such terminology as "policing by consensus", "police/community contract" an effort is being made to deodorise an odious and increasingly bestial policing practice. The irony is however, that this rather insidious method of duping the public, giving people a false consciousness of their relationship with the police and a notion of police accountability has been subordinate to an overtly reactive and reactionary policy, demonstrated in London recently with the barbaric attack on Stephen Waldorf.

ATTACKS
This effort to instil a public confidence in the police, assuming that it ever existed, (the police are expert mythologists) has even received scabulous attacks from the more liberal sections of the media who are finding it increasingly

difficult to say something salutatory about the police. This general antipathy towards the police, which is endemic even in the traditionally pro-police lobby can only be further reinforced by the mania contained in Newman's latest report, with such cosmetic measures as "consultative committees" and "neighbourhood watch schemes" (spy on your own friends).

INJURIES

Newman's own sense of community policing reached fruition on the streets of Northern Ireland where he openly advocated the use of LandRovers to disperse demonstrators, resulting in injury and death.

The grim reality is that public relationship with the police, far from being one of consensus, trust and accountability is becoming more polarised with the police having both operational and indeed political autonomy.

Reforms by governments cannot diminish the growing anxiety and impotence felt by an increasing number of people being subject to arbitrary and repressive police behaviour.

This consolidation of state control, with the police as the main protagonists is a direct challenge to all those who regard freedom as the essence of living. "WHO WILL PROTECT US FROM OUR PROTECTORS?" is the conscious cry of people towards the police.



THE FASLANE PEACE
Camp has been on-site since June '82. About 23 people live there, but half of them are moving to form a camp at Holy Loch (U.S. submarine base.)
Continually harassed by police and base personnel, 16 people were arrested during recent direct action when a bunker inside the base fence was occupied for several hours. Arrests of the campers are made on the slightest pretext.
Many of the campers are anarchists, all are pacifists and they all need support.
Write to:

FASLANE PEACE CAMP
below St. Andrew's School
Shandon
near HELENSBURGH.

Protestors climb security fence and occupy future machine-gun post. Photo: Nick

control your own misery!

THERE IS A NEW FORM of manipulation at work in the wastelands of Clydeside... it masquerades under "community initiative", which in total represents something quite different. The State is increasingly concerned that people are not "involved" enough in "their" system.

As a result, moves are afoot to **CONTROL** people in their own Housing Estates, by the creation of community businesses, festivals and the stimulation of the elaborate game of "Deprivation".

The managers of these initiatives are the trendy offices at work in the booming Poverty Industry. Players in community activists compete for scarce resources by evoking COMMUNITY consciousness. If promising they get recruited to the Poverty Industry itself.

To be sure, the creation of some of these "projects", especially if

they are autonomous and not bogged down with self-made bureaucracy, can encourage self-confidence and a challenging attitude.

However the overall trend is **INSIDIOUS** designed to channel creative anger towards the containment of anger and independent action.

Home Rule for Haggill (or anywhere else) isn't really a step towards practical anarchy. In fact, together with future plans to encourage new "cottage industry" with micro technology, it represents an imprisonment of the need to make a **BREAK** with this system **TO WHICH WE OWE NOTHING!**

SCHOOL: A BURNING ISSUE

THE IDEA behind State Education has nothing to do with realising our potential as free thinking, reasoning and creative human beings.

Its prime function is to churn out well conditioned, manageable, processed cogs (human beings) to take their allotted place in the capitalist machine.

This is done mainly by academic grading and selection which produces, courtesy of the humiliating and degrading exam system, capitalism's necessary comprehensive "failures"—the working class—to fill what's left of the factories and offices, plus all the miserable low paid jobs like shops and hotels. (The now permanent excess or unplaceable proles will no doubt get education for unemployment...or war).

MANAGEMENT

As for the Comprehensive 'Successes' they go on to join the middle class.

teachers, management, social workers, etc.

The result being hierarchy, elitism and inequality remain as normal aspects of our society, with most people hating—at best putting up with—their jobs, if not their whole existence.

As well as the daily terrorism of kids at school by the ultimate bullies and cowards—Teachers (nice or nasty they all perform the same political function) education is the main force, together with the authoritarian nuclear family in instilling an obedience to all authority, power, position and **CLASS**, without which the wage slave system of today could not exist.

MANIPULATION

But the real beauty of our educational institutions is the **PREVENTION OF LEARNING**; of how our system really works, how easily manipulated we are by the media (TV and Press).

HOMES FOR HEROES?

WHO RUNS YOUR HOUSE?
The bank, the council, the building society, some greedy capitalist?

If you're a tenant you may be paying for furniture good enough for the fire, or for a house which you can't heat and isn't how you'd want it if you had any real choice anyway.

Who caused the grey damp and windy schemes? Built in a rush—yes you can see that, to satisfy a housing shortage—but why so soulless? Why each house the same as the next? ... Because—maybe it looks neat on a drawing, maybe it's more profitable to build that way but certainly because the joyless bureaucrats who claim to represent you have taken control of your life right away from under your noses... in your house. **TAKE CONTROL OF WHERE YOU LIVE!**

In Sweden thousands of people took over an army base and built their own homes with what they took and found; it's not so good now but they tried. In London you hear of people squatting to overcome the terrible places they were living in: **WHY NOT HERE?**

how we have been denied any real control over our own lives (voting is a con) and how we have been programmed into accepting the impossibility of ourselves (us—you and me) and not politicians, reformist smart assed good talkers bringing about any real revolutionary change in OUR lives.



SCHOOL
and the politics of
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JIMMY REID: CLYDE BUILT MANTLEPIECE

council 'clean up'...

OUT! DAMN SPOT

LATTER-DAY LADY MACBETHS ARE AT WORK IN GLASGOW'S CITY CHAMBERS...

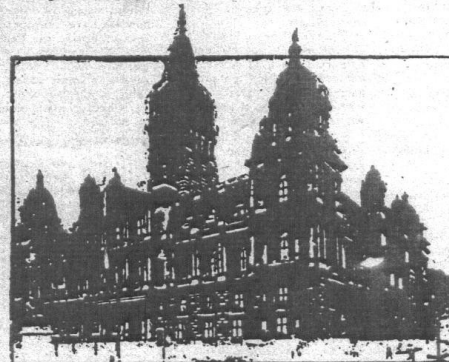
As Glasgow crumbles all around them, the Labour Council responds by washing their hands... and sandblasting their Picture Postcard Palace in George Square.

Their favourite Contractor, Lafferty the Builder, makes a quick few thousand out of the deal.

Just like Bureaucrats the world over, the Councillors are more concerned with their image than with anyone else's reality.

This public image exercise is reflected in the Council's pathetic 'PRIDE OF THE CLYDE' campaign where the whole world is sold the idea of a Clydeside workforce which is tame, lame and 'plays the game'.

But for Glasgow's Councillors, the name of the game is Self Interest. And while they are sandblasting their castles in the air, all we get is 'Pie in the Sky'...



CITY CHAMBERS: THE PLACE THEY CALL 'LAFFERTY TOWERS'

confessions of a dyke jumper

NOTHING IN THE HISTORY of Socialism remotely approaches the UCS work—in of 1970. And last night Jimmy Reid, the man who rescued a capitalist enterprise by the simple expedient of getting the workers to work for next to nothing, recalled the heady days of revolt.

In an exclusive interview for PRACTICAL ANARCHY Reid, now a broken man, spoke with quiet dignity of the idealism which put him where he is. "Nearly everything they print about me is lies," he wailed, "I was always a Stalinist".

Quizzed about the new Glasgow Herald school of socialists, Reid, nervously fingering a tube of air fix explained:

"No government can get away with it for long unless they can make a pretence of being socially useful. It can't impose respect for hierarchies unless, at the same time, it pretends to be the guardian of the rights of the nobodies.

"Our job in the newspapers is maintain that pretence. We have to make government appear humane and enlightened. Of course you need certain credentials to do this job. It is better if you're from a working-class background and are a card-carrying member of the Labour Party. That way you can attack real socialism without appearing to be on the side of the oppressors.

"It's really quite simple. We're bought men, every one of us".

SOILED

In the dreary and dismal recesses of Heraghty's Tavern, Reid, lean, shabby, soiled, went on:

"Discerning critics have dubbed me the Marcia Falkender of the Herald. There is more truth in

THE INSIDE STORY OF A HACK

that than I can possibly admit to. Another major influence was Peregrine Worsthorne who took a great fancy to me when he visited here. We dined at all the posh restaurants.

"He said that when he looked at me he saw precisely the road Scottish socialism would take, and the prospect, far from alarming him, was a positive delight."

PROCLAMATION OF FAITH

At one point Heraghty's Epsilons cheered and threw sawdust into the air as Reid, his head resting on the table, opened one eye and proclaimed his faith in "the socialism of our fathers" about which" he added, "I know absolutely nothing, and care even less."

Overtuning slop pails and sputum jars Reid flung himself towards the toilet shouting: "I'm as scared of the proletariat as you are!" He was assisted to the street by Herald colleague Mordecai, the dapper, quip-happy Squire of Lochgelly. Both men were later taken into custody.

In an astonishing court outburst Reid yelled: "I have been called disgusting... revolting... a fraud... a fakir... this horrible reptile. And yes, it's all true. But what about the others? What about Andy Cameron? Connolly? Ruth Hyman? Gerry Fitz? Jack Stein? I WON'T BE THE FALL GUY!"

The trial continues.



"MRS THATCHER IS RIGHT when she talks of a return to old fashioned values... People must accept that the unemployed have got to sell themselves to an employer".

This is what I was told at an interview recently with an unemployment review officer. The person also said I was lazy and immature.

This is the utter drivel in the traditional sense of the poor being expected to seek charity from the rich and being expected to be grateful for it.

The bastards ask questions about your private life so that they can assess you character and act accordingly with either direct threats of deducting money off your giro or by telling you to come back in a few weeks to see what progress you have made in finding work.

The aim of the government (acted upon willingly by the DHSS) is to induce a greater willingness to work - wage slavery mentality - by fear of hassle and deductions in cash.

If you get called in maybe take someone with you or put a small tape recorder in your pocket. Say nothing except for answering questions. Everything you say will be taken down and used - literally. Most of all don't be forced to do anything you don't want to.

As unemployed we are seen as politically helpless and easy to attack. The only way we will stop this is to organise ourselves instead of being organised and manipulated. We should be a noisy nuisance to the authorities demanding to be heard. Our message should be 'It's fucking war - we're not going to grovel for useless ill-paid slavery, nor are we going to accept the slavery of unemployment.' We should demand more money free services - like transport, and demonstrate when they start coming down on people.

The lot of the unemployed will not be changed by people begging for work - nor will it be done by moping about moaning - **THE CHOICE IS OURS.**

PASSPORT to PARADISE?

WHILE THEY ARE listening in to your conversations via Cheltenham GCHQ, they're also making plans to track you round the world...

You may have noticed that recently the DHSS have started issuing new plastic National Insurance cards. They say these are merely to replace National Insurance cards that were printed on paper. But these new cards have magnetic strips on the back with THREE tracks for holding information. This magnetic tape can easily carry any information they want against you name: e.g. - suspected anarchist...

Fortunately it is reasonably easy to fuck-up the system. What you do is run a magnet (preferably a rare-earth cobalt magnet or tape head de-magnetiser) along this strip to make it unreadable. This action will leave no visible traces, so it'll be hard for them to blame you for the knackered card.

Interrogation

Far worse for us than these N.I. cards is the coming introduction of Machine Readable Passports which will be in use in the UK within 5 years (they're already in use in the USA and West Germany). There is not a magnetic strip this time, but the coding on the passport can be read by a computer. This coding allows access to a computerised file of the bearer of the passport and it ends instructions ('detain for interrogation' or log travel details') which are displayed on a computer screen and carried out by immigration officers.

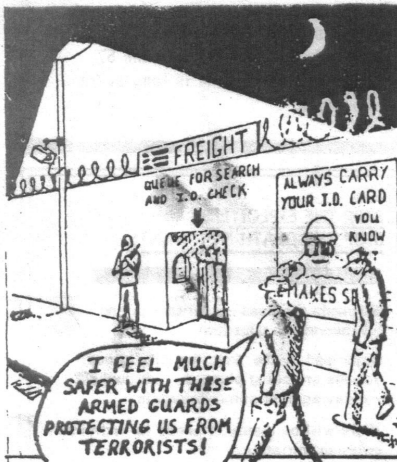
Checks can be run at all passport points and the information can be fed from the passport computer to the police and security services, not just in Britain, but throughout Europe. The computerisation means many more people can be included on immigration control's 'suspect list' than at present.

People at present on this list include people in possession of subversive literature (Practical Anarchy?). When the list is expanded, who else will they include?

These passports can also be read at passport points in the SOVIET UNION and Warsaw Pact countries, although the police and security network is not linked directly to the one in Western Europe.

Nevertheless it is instructive to see how the bastards in power in East and West join forces in operating a computerised passport system that further enhances their already disgusting ability to watch over and control the ordinary citizens of the world.

A.B.



■ **DON'T FORGET** the words of wisdom on the poster at the entrance of the East Kilbride Development Corporation HQ.

Under a photograph of a baby in nappies reads the immortal line: 'You're never too young to help the police'

GLASGOW SMILES BITTER!

● SEASICK... IN GOVAN!

UNREPORTED in the press is the story of the crew of a merchant ship, the M.V. Tarry, sailing under a flag of convenience.

The owners went bankrupt and the crew - cheap labour from Peru, the Philippines and India - were left high and dry.

That was 3 MONTHS AGO, and still the sailors have not been allowed to step foot on dry land, being kept prisoner on their ship by the Govan polis.

It's enough to make you run away to sea...

● *The only two unskilled vacancies at a Glasgow job Centre recently: a SHOE-SHINE attendant and a part-time SANDWICHBOARD man.*

It's time the unemployed displayed their own sandwichboard: THE END IS NIGH... for capitalism!

● **STRATHCLYDE** Regional Council, Labour controlled, are planning to close 3 fire stations and dismiss 91 firemen.

The fire service has dropped by 214 men since 1976. FBU members will be taking a decision soon on what action to take to oppose the redundancies.

The fire service is to benefit everyone in the community and if you want the best possible protection for your home and family, then you must join with the firemen to stop any more stations from shutting.

Make the Labour Councillors redundant!

● TRIDENT - THE INSIDE STORY

Down at Faslane, word has it that work was started on Britain's Trident programme some SEVEN YEARS AGO, yes, under the Labour government.

What's new! !

THIS IS YOUR LIFE...

- To be at the beck and will of the Boss Class.
- To perform repetitive tasks day in day out, 8 till 5 week after week, year after...
- To fall victim to 'unemployment' a pawn in the labour market.
- To sign on once a fortnight, and make your giro last till next time.
- To fall behind with rent or the electric, or the gangs of money lenders and parasites.
- To take it out on the 'wife', still expected to do all the work around the home.
- To give up on the kids, see them running around sniffin' glue, hooked on despair.
- To get it run-around at the 'Social', or when dealing with any bureaucrat's rules.
- To mark a cross on a ballot paper, once every 5, once every 3, what does it matter.
- To stare at the 'box' follow one soap opera after another, one snooker frame after...
- To see goods advertised from all directions, everything sponsored by this or that Company
- To do a little on the side, get caught, unlike the rich in the Cayman Islands.
- To repress your desires or the partner as an object to be consumed, bought, possessed.
- To view war, miles away, one State versus another, to see the Missiles get deadlier.
- To eat junk food, to wear junk clothes, to accept that which is unacceptable.
- To be grind down, see no hope for anything better, to give up on humanity.

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